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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1-13. (canceled)

- 14. (previously presented) A process for delivering fluid to small intestines with a probe, said probe comprising
 - a probe tube (4) comprising a tip area (6) and a tip (2) having an outlet opening (1), and
 - a guide stylet (5) with a shape with a curved tip area (6'),
 - wherein the probe tube (4) and the guide stylet (5) each have a flexibility such that, in the absence of an external force, the shape of the guide stylet (5) is substantially imparted on the tip area (6) of the probe tube (4) when inserted therein,

said process comprising the steps of

- inserting the probe tube (4) into a patient's stomach by way of the patient's esophagus,
- inserting the guide stylet (5) into the probe tube (4) thereby causing the shape of the guide stylet (5) to be substantially imparted on the tip area (6) of the probe tube (4),
- inserting the tip (2) of the probe tube (4) into the patient's small intestines by way of the patient's pylorus, and

passing the fluid through a lumen (9) and the opening (1) of the probe tube.

- 15. (previously presented) The process of claim 14, further comprising the step of spraying X-ray contrast medium into the probe tube (4) prior to inserting the tip (2) of the probe tube (4) into the small intestines.
- 16. (previously presented) The process of claim 14, further comprising inserting a second straight stylet into the probe tube (4) prior to inserting the probe tube (4) into the stomach.
- 17. (previously presented) The process of claim 14, wherein the probe tube comprises an outer tube and an inner stiffening tube (14) which does not extend into the tip area (6) of the probe tube (4).